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# UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

**PROGRAMME** 

: ALL B. Sc YEAR I

**COURSE CODE** 

**AS 101** 

TITLE OF PAPER

ZOOLOGY

TIME ALLOWED

**TWO HOURS** 

**INSTRUCTIONS** 

ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

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#### **QUESTION ONE**

a. Give an account of the characteristics of living organisms.

(10 Marks)

b. Explain the autotrophic and heterotrophic types of feeding and indicate the type of living organisms carrying out these types of feeding.

(5 Marks)

c. Describe how a newly discovered living organism is classified.

(10 Marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO**

- a. Using the phenomenon of natural selection, explain how the present Cheetah could have acquired the high running speed. (15 Marks)
- b. Explain what is involved in the following types of evolution.
  - i. Divergent evolution
  - ii. Convergent evolution

(10 Marks)

#### **QUESTION THREE**

- a. Indicate the role of Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA) in the process of protein synthesis. (5 Marks)
- b. Describe the process of protein synthesis as it occurs in an animal cell. (15 marks)
- c. Explain the effect of the inadequate supply of essential amino acids in the process of protein synthesis and the animal itself. (5 Marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

- a. Describe the process of spermatogenesis in a bull with 60 diploid numbers of chromosomes. (20 Marks)
- b. Indicate the objective (s) of spermatogenesis and how these objectives are achieved. (5 Marks)

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

Give an account of the various types of exocrine glands.

(25 Marks)

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## **QUESTION SIX**

- a. Briefly describe the process of spermatozoa capacitation and indicate the objective (s) of this process. (10 Marks)
- b. Give an account of the process of fertilisation and indicate how the diploid number of chromosomes is achieved during this process. (15 Marks)